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The Executive Office for Immigration Review Launches Online Registration for Immigration Practitioners

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) today announced that, effective June 10, 2013, it will rollout electronic registration for attorneys and fully accredited representatives who represent aliens in proceedings before EOIR’s immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals. The eRegistry will be implemented as specified in the May 14, 2013, [Federal Register Notice](#). After December 10, 2013, all attorneys and fully accredited representatives must have completed the registration process in order to appear as a representative before the immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals.

Currently, immigration practitioners provide notice of their appearances before EOIR’s adjudicators by submitting Form EOIR-27, “Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative Before the Board of Immigration Appeals” and Form EOIR-28, “Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or Representative Before the Immigration Court”.

The eRegistry, part of a long-term plan to create an electronic case access and filing system for the immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals, will provide the means for EOIR to begin receiving electronic versions of the Form EOIR-27 and Form EOIR-28. The registry and electronic filing of these forms will offer attorneys and fully accredited representatives an electronic option that will reduce paperwork and increase efficiencies through real-time information-sharing, which will also enhance EOIR’s ability to schedule, track and update cases. Registered attorneys and fully accredited representatives will also be able to use the stored information to pre-populate and electronically file entry of appearance forms.

“EOIR’s stakeholders have long sought the ability to file electronically with the agency,” said EOIR Director Juan P. Osuna. “The new online registration process is the first step toward a more vigorous electronic case system, which is part of our ongoing efforts to improve the efficiency of our adjudications.”

Information about the online registration process is available at <http://www.justice.gov/eoir/engage/eRegistration.htm>. The agency will continue to update this page as appropriate, including information about identity verification specific to each immigration court.

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